

The LEAFLET



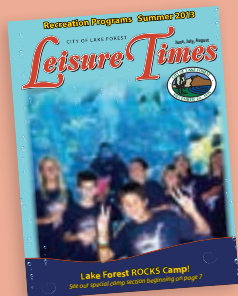
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Sports Park Construction Begins Next Month!

As you drive by the Sports Park and Recreation Center project site in the months ahead, you'll see the foundations of new facilities and amenities appear. With the City Council's recent award of a \$35.9 million contract to Park West Landscaping, the company has the green light to bring the 86-acre park to life.

The Lake Forest Sports Park, located on the corner of Rancho Parkway and Portola Parkway, will be one of the largest sports parks in Orange County with 57 acres devoted to sports fields and a multi-functional recreational center. Construction will begin next month and is expected to be done in late 2014. Read more about this monumental project and see the latest construction photos on the City's website at www.lakeforestca.gov, or "Like" us on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/LFsportspark.



Watercolor rendering of the Sports Park & Recreation Center



Sports Park grading



Overview of Sports Park site looking toward Rancho Parkway

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CITY MANAGER'S



Message

Last month, the City hosted its 2013 Leadership Luncheon. The annual luncheon is an opportunity for the City to thank its volunteer leaders. Over 100 attendees represented various groups including the Fourth of July Parade Committee, the Sheriff's Team of Active Retired Seniors (STARS), Leadership Academy graduates, Community Emergency Preparedness Academy graduates, the Chamber of Commerce, the Planning Commission, and the Parks and Recreation Commission among others.

Volunteers and involved community members are the foundation of a healthy, connected community that makes Lake Forest a great place to live and work. Whether they check your home or business while you're away, help plan City events, or advise the City Council on policy decisions, we applaud their dedication to make Lake Forest a better place.

If you'd like to get involved, you may want to consider a City volunteer opportunity. Do you care about the environment? Then join us in May to help fight the battle against litter at our Aliso Creek Clean-Up Day. Interested in law enforcement? Seniors and teens can partner with Lake Forest Police Services' by joining the Explorers and STARS Programs. Love animals? Volunteer at the Orange County Animal shelter as a dog walker, cat socializer, or greeter. Are you a party planner? Join our annual 4th of July Committee.

These are just some of the volunteer opportunities available in the City. In upcoming issues of *The Leaflet*, we'll be highlighting resident-submitted stories of their volunteer efforts (article on page 6). As you read these stories, we hope you'll be inspired to get involved.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Dunek

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City Manager

Notary Services available at City Hall!



The City of Lake Forest now offers licensed and bonded notary services. Typical notary services include acknowledgements, jurats, oaths and affirmations, proofs of execution by subscribing witness, immigration papers and certified copies of power of attorney.

Notary services are available in the City Clerk's office at City Hall (25550 Commerce Drive, 2nd floor) between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by appointment. The cost per signature is \$10. For more information, contact the City Clerk at 461-3420.

Upcoming City Council Meeting Dates

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month starting at 7:00 p.m.

- Tuesday, May 7
- Tuesday, May 21
- Tuesday, June 4
- Tuesday, June 18

Tips from a Code Enforcement Officer Fences and Walls ... Safety First

Fences and walls can make a difference to your property by adding security and enhancing curb appeal. However, without proper maintenance, fences and walls can become a safety hazard. Unpermitted structural modifications, such as backfilling a wall with dirt or extending a wall's height, can also cause future problems. Make sure your fences and walls are safe and functional by doing an inspection at least once a year by checking for deterioration and/or cracking. If you are considering structural changes or an extension in height, please call the City's Building Division at 461-3460 before starting work.



Workshop for Parents of Teen Drivers

Tuesday, May 28, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Lake Forest City Hall

Before you hand over the keys to your new teen driver, join us for a workshop designed just for parents. Lake Forest Police Services will be hosting a free course to help mentor your teen through this stage of driving. Learn about unique risks and behaviors of new teen drivers, types and causes of collisions commonly involving teens, and new laws specific to teen drivers. Register by May 21 with Community Services Officer Aubrey Dietrich at 461-3543 or email adietrich@ocsd.org.



Don't have time to read the entire Council agenda?

Now you can read Council Previews for

each meeting in just a few minutes at
www.lakeforestca.gov/councilpreviews.

Shop & Dine Lake Forest Week & Taste of Lake Forest September 8-15

Get ready for the 3rd Annual Shop & Dine Lake Forest Week and 2nd Annual Taste of Lake Forest! If you participated last year – whether as a shopper, a visitor, or a business – we would like to hear your feedback on how to make the event even better this year. Email us at economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov with your suggestions. More details about this week-long event will be featured in the next edition of the Leaflet.



2014 CALENDAR CONTEST

What do you love about your City?

Is it the historic Heritage Hill or the abundance of dining and shopping options? Perhaps it's the less tangible things such as its community or culture? Whatever you love about Lake Forest, here's your chance to show it! We're looking for past or present pictures to showcase in our "I Love Lake Forest" 2014 Calendar. Photo submissions will be accepted online via Ask Lake Forest through October 1, 2013. For more information, contact 282-5214.

Rules and Guidelines

- There is no payment or fee required to submit a photo.
- The entrant must be the photographer of the photo entered.
- Photos must be electronically submitted via Ask Lake Forest.
- Digital photos should be in JPEG format and be a maximum of 1 MB.
- Individuals may submit up to ten photos.

Right of Use

The City of Lake Forest has the right to unlimited use of entrant names and photos for, but not limited to, programs, publicity, promotions, and on the City's website and Facebook page without compensation to entrant. All photos submitted become the property of the City of Lake Forest and will not be returned.

Selected Submissions

- Entrants will be required to name any identifiable persons appearing in their photo, and confirm that the identifiable persons have given consent to having their picture taken and entered into the contest with all "Rights and Use" conditions applying. If selected photo includes minors, signed parental consent forms will be requested.
- Entrants will be notified by email or telephone if their photo is selected.

Submission Requirements

The following information must be submitted for each photo:

- Photographer's full name
- Address
- Phone number
- Email address
- Description of the photo, including location, event, or names of individual(s), in each photo.
- Complete this sentence for each photo, "I love Lake Forest because_____."

Submit photos online via Ask Lake Forest at asklakeforest.com

- Click on "Submit a Request."
- Select "2014 Calendar Photos."
- Fill out the submission form and click on "Submit."



Lake Forest Pride of Ownership Winner

Congratulations to Vivet Maragh, the sixth winner of the Lake Forest Pride of Ownership contest. Mrs. Maragh certainly boosted her curb appeal! We hope she enjoys her goodie basket of home improvement helpers.

Mrs. Maragh is the final winner, marking the end of the Lake Forest Pride of Ownership contest. We like to thank all the residents that participated in the contest and we wish we could have featured all the great examples of Lake Forest Pride!



BEFORE



AFTER

Fair Housing

An impediment to fair housing opportunity is any policy or practice that denies or adversely affects the provision of housing to a person in any protected class. Examples of a protected class include minorities, elderly, and disabled persons. As a recipient of annual Federal Community Development Block Grant funds, the City of Lake Forest is committed to furthering fair housing practices in the community and cooperates with the Fair Housing Council of Orange County to eliminate discriminatory practices county-wide. Fair Housing opportunity is the law. If you or someone you know has a fair housing question or issue that needs to be addressed, please call the City's Housing Manager at 461-3471.

El Toro Post Office Trims Hours

On April 1, the El Toro Post Office scaled back its business hours due to declining revenues. New postal service hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. The branch has a 24-hour kiosk to purchase stamps, weigh mail and ship packages, or customers can visit usps.com for other postal and shipping needs.



Lake Forest Volunteers – We Want To Hear From You!

Share How You Get Involved In Your Community...

Starting July, we'll kick-off a new resident-submitted article, featured over the next 6 issues. If you're involved in a local non-profit or charitable organization making a meaningful change in the community, inspire others by sharing your story! Whether you are tutoring kids, helping the homeless or low-income families, working with animals, share your story and it may be highlighted in an upcoming issue of the Leaflet.

If you are a Lake Forest resident or business, tell us about your volunteer efforts and why it is important to you in 200 words or less. Stories can be emailed to chon@lakeforestca.gov. For more information, call 282-5214.



It's Easy to be a Steward of Your Local Environmental Resources

You have the power to prevent some of the most common causes of pollution! When runoff water travels over driveways, sidewalks, streets, and gutters, it picks up pollutants and carries them into the storm drain system and right into our local creeks, lakes, and the ocean without any treatment. The pollutants carried by runoff water may not be visible, but they are there. They come from our everyday activities, and include things like bacteria from pet waste, pesticides, fertilizers, oil, gasoline, household cleaners and detergents, green waste, pool chemicals or filter material, and construction waste such as concrete, grout, and paint.

Help protect our local environmental resources and conserve precious water resources by:

1. Not over-watering. Most plants do not need to be watered everyday (especially lawns).
2. Watering lawns early in the day before sunrise, or in the evenings after sunset.
This will maximize water absorption into the soil and minimize loss due to evaporation.
3. Reducing your sprinkler cycle length and increasing the number of cycles. Your sprinklers should be adjusted according to the weather conditions. Use a water calculator at <http://www.bewaterwise.com/calculator.html#pagestart>.
4. Maintaining your sprinklers. Turn them on, watch what they do, and inspect and fix leaks.
5. Using California-friendly plants for your landscaping as they use less water than exotics.



24-Hour Water Pollution Hotline (877) 89-SPILL

Remember, the Ocean Begins At Your Front Door.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 461-3480.

Recreation/Events Calendar

Spring 2013 (May-June)

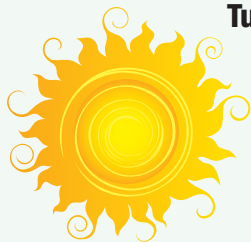
MAY

Rancho Days Fiesta Sunday 5

11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Heritage Hill Historical Park
(25151 Serrano Rd)

\$3 children
(12 and under)
\$4 adults



Tuesday
14

**Summer Registration
Begins 8 am!
Online, Mail-In, Walk-In**

Aliso Creek Clean-Up Day Saturday 18

9-11:30 a.m.

Cherry Ave/Fernbank St
Free to participate



Prelude in the Park Sunday 19

5-7:30 p.m.

Pittsford Park
(21701 Pittsford Dr)

Free
(nominal fee for food)



Kiwanis College Prep Night Wednesday 29

7-9 p.m.

City Hall
(25550 Commercentre Dr)

Free



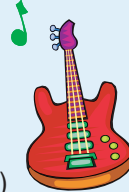
JUNE

"RPL EFFECT" and "The Way Back Machine" Concert and BBQ Sunday 9

3-6 p.m.

Nature Park
(26215 Dimension Dr)

Free (nominal fee for BBQ)



Live Music Showcase Friday 14

6-10 p.m.

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)

Fee: \$5 entry fee per person



Movies in the Park ~ "Madagascar 3" Friday 14

7:30 p.m.

Mountain View Park
(4061 Dylan)

Free
(snacks available for nominal fee)



Riverbed Clean up and Environmental Awareness Day Saturday 22

10 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)

Free to participate

Call the Skatepark
at 916-5870
for more info



Summer Concert Series ~ Kina Grannis and Didi Benami Sunday 23

5:30 p.m.

Pittsford Park (21701 Pittsford Dr)

Free



"Where's
Nectar"
contest
begins



4th of July Parade 2013 Thursday, July 4

Attention one and all! It's time once again to celebrate our great country's independence. The Lake Forest community is proud to present its 22nd Annual 4th of July Parade, and is looking for creative, enthusiastic and patriotic participants to enter the fun! This year's theme is "Star, Spangled, Salute!!!"

All Ages Welcome! Free!

Star, Spangled, Salute!!!



The City of Lake Forest 22nd Annual
4th of July Parade 2013

**For more info on any of these activities,
call Community Services at 461-3450.**



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Building Inspection	461-3468
City Clerk	461-3420
City Council	461-3420
City Manager's Office	461-3410
Community Policing Center	461-3530
Community Preservation	461-3474
Etnies Skatepark	916-5870
Graffiti Hotline	461-3583
Planning	461-3491
Public Works	461-3480
Recreation	461-3450
Economic Development	461-3567

IMPORTANT CITY WEBSITES

City
www.lakeforestca.gov

Economic Development
www.lakeforestbusiness.com

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest
www.etnies skatepark of lake forest.com



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"EXPAND THE FOREST"

The Expand the Forest program allows members of the community to dedicate trees in memory of departed loved ones or to commemorate special occasions while encouraging the expansion of our urban forest. Trees are \$70 and are planted and maintained by the City. There are several different species of approved trees which may be planted in several City parks."



For more information, please call the Public Works Department at 461-3480.

SPONSORS	TREE SPECIES	LOCATION	DEDICATION
The Lowell Family	Coast Live Oak	Rimgate Park	In Loving Memory of Salim Naber

Lost Pets at OC Animal Care

Help your pet find its way home

More than 75% of the animals at OC Animal Care are lost "stray" pets found by shelter officers or brought in by a community member. When a lost pet is found, OC Animal Care will check for a name tag, license tag and microchip. If the animal has any type of identification, the owner will be contacted. Unfortunately, only a small percentage of pets brought into the shelter have a form of identification.

Pet owners can protect their pets by taking a few simple steps:

- Keep a collar with a current tag on your pet.
- Put a leash on your pet when walking them.
- Consider a microchip implant. Chips are a positive and reliable identification for your pet.
- Transport your pet in a secured carrier.

Lost pets are examined by a shelter vet, vaccinated and provided daily care. Their photo and information is placed onto the Lost Pets page on OC Animal Care's website. For more information, or to claim a lost pet, contact OC Animal Care at 249-5160.

